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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A golf putting aid comprising:
first and second attachment structures;
an upper alignment member disposed between and attached to the attachment structures;
a lower alignment member disposed between and attached to the attachment structures, such that the alignment members are vertically aligned to define a vertical plane which is perpendicular to a putting surface; and
at least one longitudinal support member disposed between and fixedly attached to the attachment structures; and
a target removably attached to the first attachment structure, wherein the target has an opening which is centered with respect to the vertical plane, and wherein the opening is at least as large as a regulation size golf ball.

2. (Original) The golf putting aid of claim 1, wherein the alignment members are flexible.

3. (Original) The golf putting aid of claim 1, wherein the alignment members are non-adjustable in the vertical plane which is perpendicular to the putting surface.

4.-7. (Canceled.)

8. (Currently Amended) A golf putting aid comprising:
first and second attachment structures;

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an upper alignment member disposed between and attached to the attachment structures;

a lower alignment member disposed between and attached to the attachment structures, such that the alignment members are vertically aligned to define a vertical plane which is perpendicular to a putting surface; and

at least one longitudinal support member disposed between and fixedly attached to the attachment structures ~~The golf putting aid of claim 1,~~ wherein the at least one longitudinal support member is bowed downwardly towards the putting surface.

9. (Currently Amended) The golf putting aid of claim ~~1~~ 8, wherein ~~the at least one longitudinal support member is bowed downwardly towards the putting surface, such that~~ at least a portion of the longitudinal support member is disposed lower than the lower alignment member.

10. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 1, wherein the at least one longitudinal support member is compactable such that when it is desired to store the putting aid, the putting aid occupies less space.

11. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 10, wherein the at least one longitudinal support member contains a hinge such that when it is desired to store the putting aid, the at least one longitudinal support member rotates about the hinge, such that the putting aid occupies less space.

12. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 11, wherein the alignment members are flexible such that when

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the at least one longitudinal support member is compacted, the alignment members are compacted.

13.-14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently Amended) A golf putting aid comprising:
first and second attachment structures;

an upper alignment member attached to the attachment structures;

a lower alignment member attached to the attachment structures such that the alignment members are vertically aligned to define a vertical plane which is perpendicular to a putting surface; and

a support frame attached to the attachment structures, wherein the support frame comprises at least one longitudinal support member disposed between and fixedly attached to the attachment structures; and

a target removably attached to the first attachment structure, wherein the target has an opening which is centered with respect to the vertical plane, and wherein the opening is at least as large as a regulation size golf ball.

16. (Original) The golf putting aid of claim 15, wherein the alignment members are flexible.

17. (Original) The golf putting aid of claim 15, wherein the alignment members are non-adjustable in the vertical plane which is perpendicular to the putting surface.

18.-29. (Canceled.)

30. (Currently Amended) A golf putting aid comprising:

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first and second attachment structures;

an upper alignment member attached to the attachment structures;

a lower alignment member attached to the attachment structures such that the alignment members are vertically aligned to define a vertical plane which is perpendicular to a putting surface; and

a support frame attached to the attachment structures, wherein the support frame comprises at least one longitudinal support member disposed between and fixedly attached to the attachment structures ~~The golf putting aid of claim 15,~~ wherein the at least one longitudinal support member is bowed downwardly towards the putting surface.

31. (Currently Amended) The golf putting aid of claim ~~15~~ 30, wherein ~~the at least one longitudinal support member is bowed downwardly towards the putting surface, such that~~ at least a portion of the longitudinal support member is disposed lower than the lower alignment member.

32. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 15, wherein the at least one longitudinal support member is compactable such that when it is desired to store the putting aid, the putting aid occupies less space.

33. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 32, wherein the at least one longitudinal support member contains a hinge such that when it is desired to store the putting aid, the at least one longitudinal support member rotates about the hinge, such that the putting aid occupies less space.

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34. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 33, wherein the alignment members are flexible such that when the at least one longitudinal support member is compacted, the alignment members are compacted.

35. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 15, wherein the support frame is substantially rectangular shaped.

36. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 35, wherein the support frame comprises:

- a first lateral support connected to the first attachment structure;

- a second lateral support connected to the second attachment structure;

- a first longitudinal support disposed between and connected to the first and second lateral supports; and

- a second longitudinal support disposed between and connected to the first and second lateral supports.

37. (Previously Presented) The golf putting aid of claim 36, wherein the first and second longitudinal support members each contains a hinge such that when it is desired to store the putting aid, each longitudinal support member rotates about its corresponding hinge, allowing the putting aid to occupy less space.